REMARKS

Claims 12-24, 28, 33 and 49-51 are pending and under consideration. Applicants appreciate that Claims 12-24, 28, 33 and 49 are indicated as being allowed. With this Amendment, Claims 50 and 51 are being cancelled, without prejudice or disclaimer against their prosecution in one or more timely-filed applications, in order to expedite allowance of Claims 12-24, 28-33 and 49.

As Claims 50 and 51 were the only claims under rejection, the application is now in condition for allowance.

If upon review, the Examiner feels there are additional outstanding issues, the Examiner is invited to direct any calls in connection with this application to the undersigned at (650) 494-8700. No fees beyond those included with the Amendment are believed due. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional required fees, or credit any overpayment, to Dorsey & Whitney LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our Order No. A-67933-1/AMP/JFB).

Respectfully submitted

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